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VIEW BOOK of SPRINGFIELD MASSACHUSETTS

STATUE OF DEACON SAMUEL CHAPIN

One of Springfield's first settlers. This world-famous statue by St. Gaudens is commonly known as "The Puritan."

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SPRINGFIELD

THE City of Springfield was founded in 1636 by William Pynchon. The settlement was originally called Agawam but after five years the name was changed to Springfield, the home of the founder having been Springfield, England.

Main Street, now a busy thoroughfare, was originally an Indian trail along which the settlers erected their log cabins. The settlement suffered all the hardships of Indian warfare and in 1675, during King Philip's War, was almost wholly destroyed.

The early growth was slow but the establishment of a plant for the recasting of muskets during the Revolution later resulted in the permanent location of the United States Armory, which gave the town a splendid impetus, and the great institution, which annually turns out thousands of rifles for the United States Armies, is now but one of the many busy manufacturing plants.

Springfield is fortunate in that she is not dependent upon any one class of industries. All of her large manufacturing establishments employ skilled labor at good wages making it possible for the workman to own their homes, thus the pseudonym "City of Homes."

Springfield takes great pride in the equipment and maintenance of her public institutions, and with her clean streets, extensive park system, and a population that stands for all that is best in citizenship, is easily Queen City of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The population, according to the City Clerk's estimate in 1904, was 85,000.

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UNION RAILWAY STATION

MAIN STREET FROM THE ARCH

POST OFFICE AND CUSTOMS HOUSE

MYRICK BUILDING

Home of the "Good Housekeeping Magazine," the Phelps Publishing Company, and Springfield Board of Trade.

COURT SQUARE, SHOWING THE HISTORIC FIRST CHURCH

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS
In process of construction. This magnificent group is to cost $1.000.000.

HAMPDEN COUNTY COURT HOUSE AND HALL OF RECORDS

HOME OF MASSACHUSETTS MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
Springfield's strongest financial institution. Assets $51,120,863. Surplus $3,878,200.

SPRINGFIELD FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY
Known the world over for its able management.

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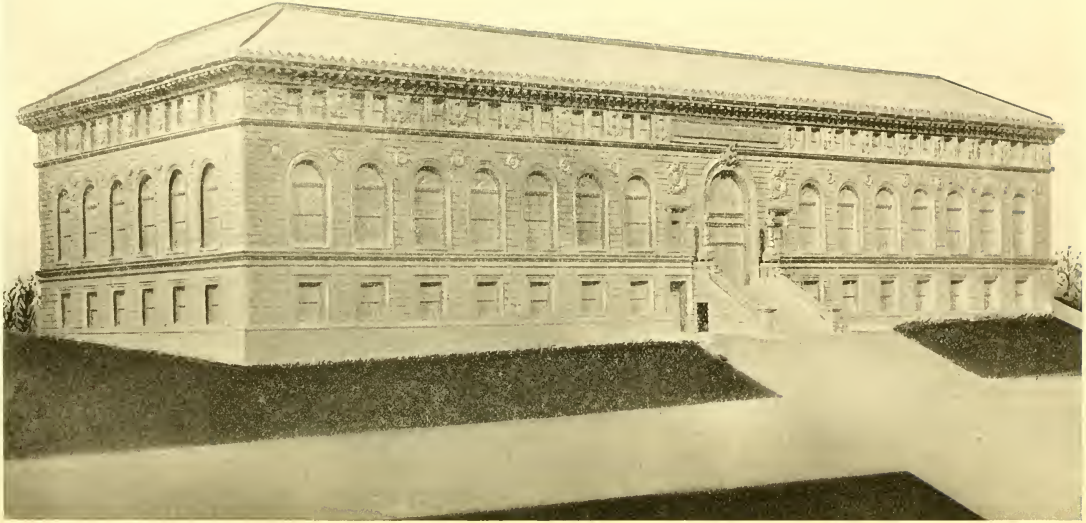
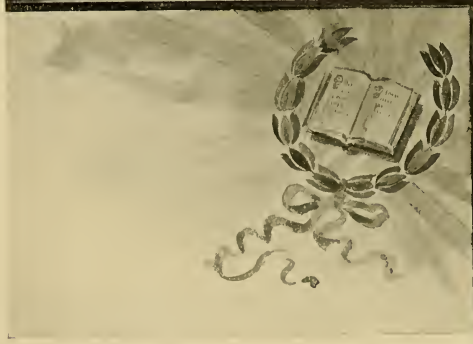


CITY LIBRARY

Cost $325,000, contributed jointly by Andrew Carnegie and citizens of Springfield. Number of books 170,000.



BRANCH LIBRARIES

Indian Orchard.

Forest Park.

ART MUSEUM, IN CITY LIBRARY SQUARE
This handsome structure contains the George Walter Vincent Smith Collection of Art Treasures.

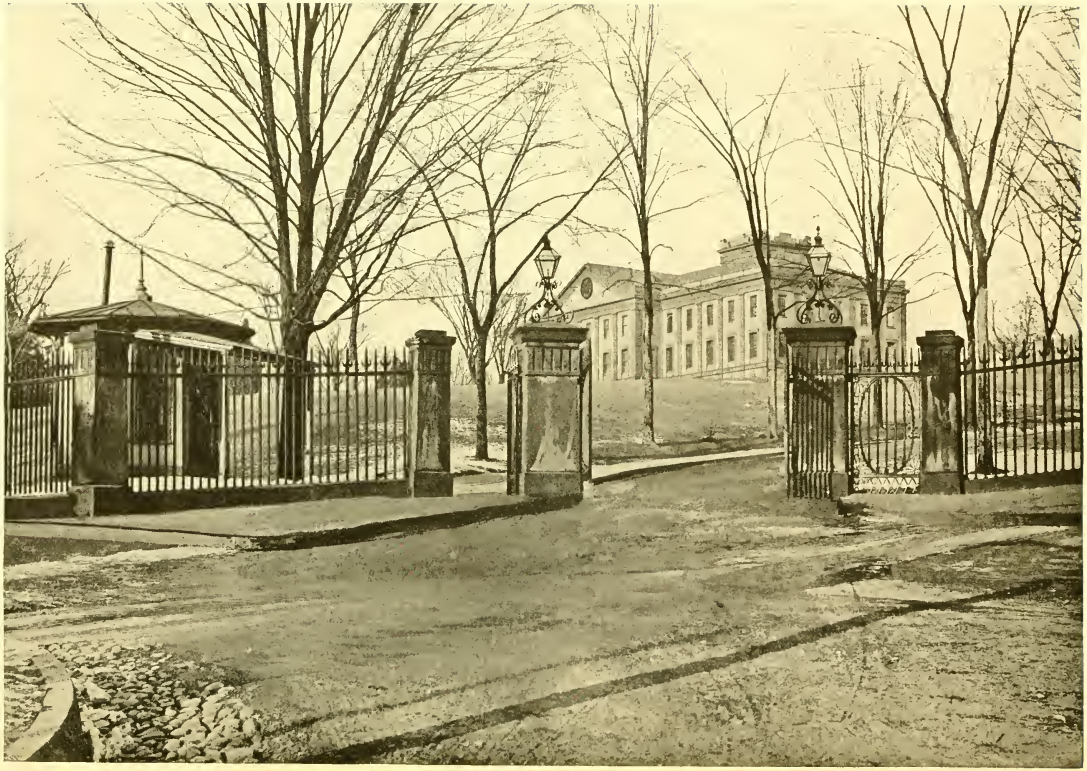
SCIENCE MUSEUM, ADJOINING ART MUSEUM
Devoted to exhibits representing various branches of Science.

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

A splendidly equipped school building, costing over $400,000. Opposite City Library.

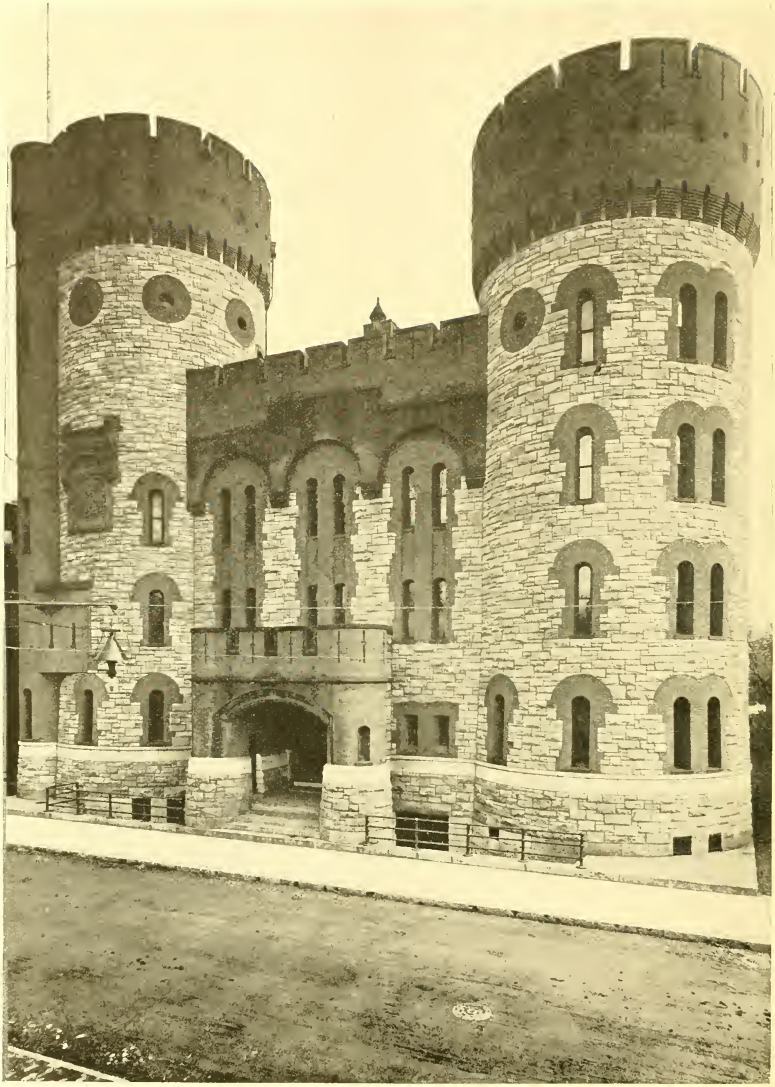
TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

Opportunity is here afforded to pursue any branch of technical training at the expense of the city.



ENTRANCE TO UNITED STATES ARMORY GROUNDS
Where the Springfield Rifle is manufactured.

UNITED STATES WATER SHOPS
Here the forging and heavy work on the Springfield Rifle is done.



MASSACHUSETTS STATE ARMORY
Headquarters of the Second Regiment M. V. M. and one company of the Massachusetts Naval Brigade.

A GLIMPSE OF SPRINGFIELD'S PUBLIC PLAYGROUNDS

NEW HOME OF NAYASSET CLUB

REAR VIEW OF WESSON MANSION
With a glimpse of the South Church.

NURSES' HOME AND WESSON HOSPITAL

CYNTHIA WESSON MATERNITY HOSPITAL

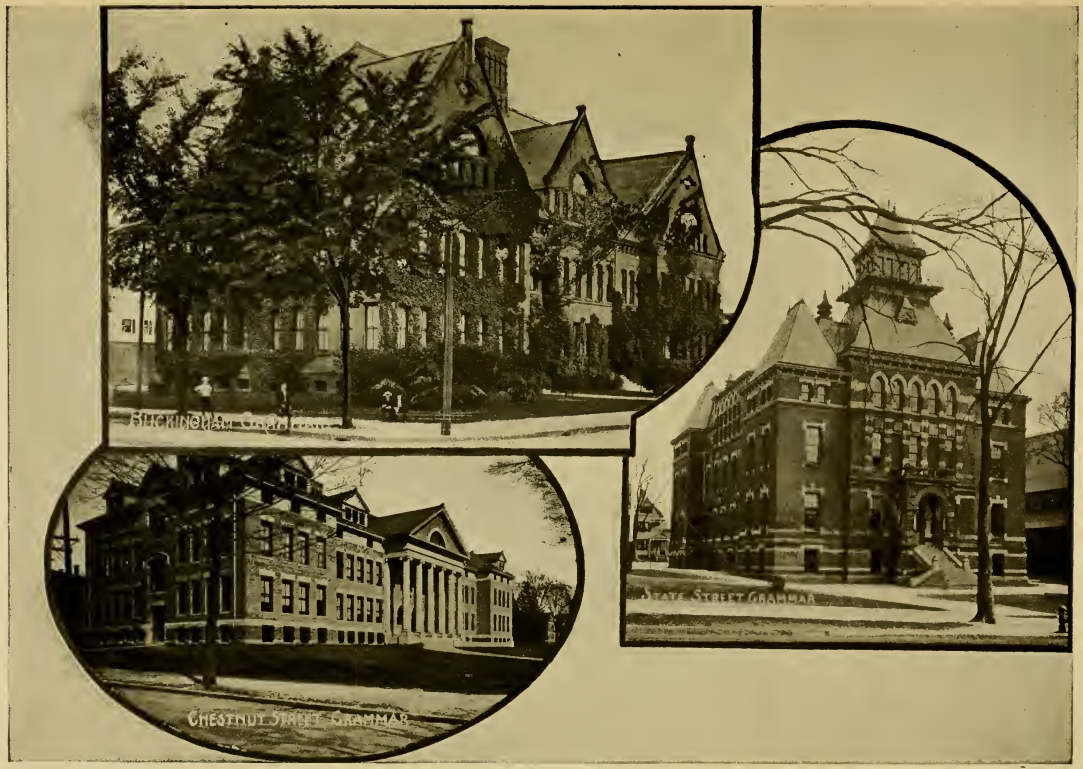
Both erected by Daniel B. Wesson.

MERCY HOSPITAL

SPRINGFIELD HOSPITAL

Springfield's hospital facilities are unexcelled.

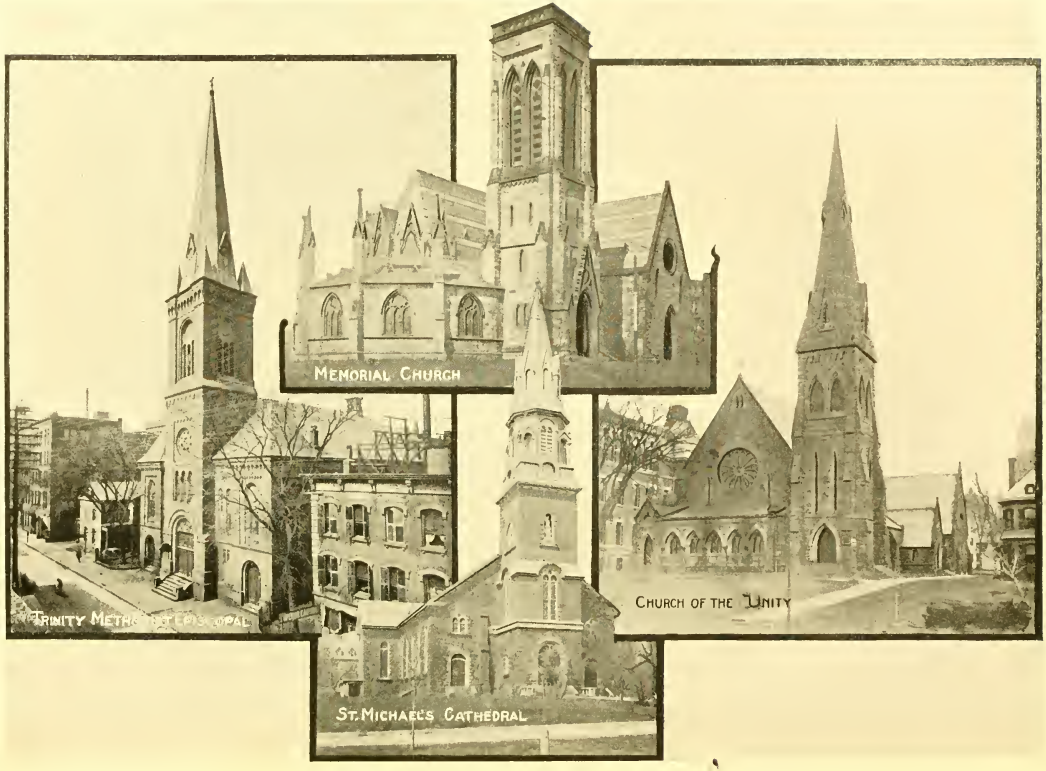
HOME FOR AGED WOMEN
This splendid institution does a noble work.



REPRESENTATIVE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BUILDINGS
The city has thirty-four such buildings.

COURT SQUARE THEATER BUILDING

SPRINGFIELD INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS
This Savings Bank has deposits of over $18,000,000.



SOME OF SPRINGFIELD'S CHURCHES

MORE OF SPRINGFIELD'S CHURCHES

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING OF AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE

This college is exercising a great influence among the various nationalities represented in its student body.

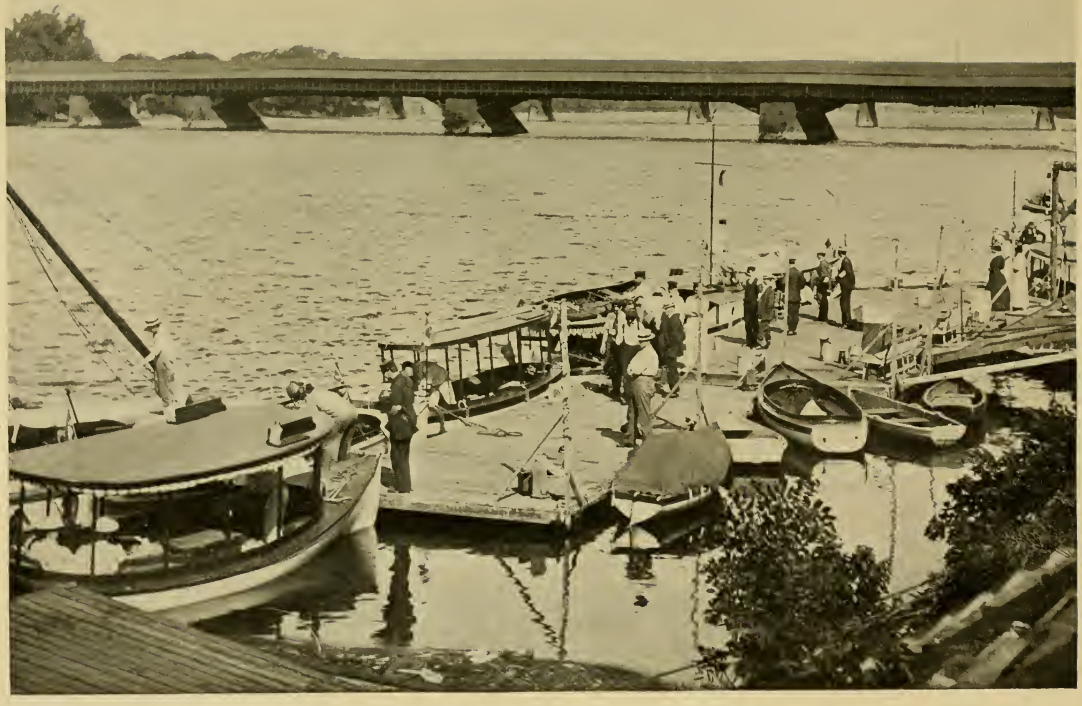
INTERNATIONAL YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION TRAINING SCHOOL
Where the Young Men's Christian Association Secretaries and Physical Directors are trained for their work.

MASONIC BUILDING

CAREW STREET TRIANGLE, SOLDIERS' MONUMENT, AND MEMORIAL CHURCH

SPRINGFIELD COUNTRY CLUB HOUSE

This spot commands an extended view of the Connecticut River and the hills beyond.



BOAT CLUB WHARF ON THE CONNECTICUT RIVER

THE POST MASTER AND HIS CORPS

THE FLYING SQUADRON OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

ONE OF THE ATTRACTIVE STREETS ON THE "HILL"

STREET REPRESENTATIVE OF THE "PARK" DISTRICT

MIRROR LAKE IN FOREST PARK
This park covers an area of four hundred and sixty acres.

FOREST PARK IN WINTER

WADING POND IN FOREST PARK

SKATING AT FOREST PARK

BOOKSTORE BUILDING
New home of Johnson's Bookstore.

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